Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. Docket Number: 96–108. Applicant: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Atlanta, GA 30333. Instrument: Mass Spectrometer, Model Reflex II. Manufacturer: Bruker Analytical, Germany. Intended Use: See notice at 61 FR 55972, October 30, 1996.

Comments: None received. Decision: Approved. No instrument of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instrument, for such purposes as it is intended to be used, is being manufactured in the United States. Reasons: The foreign instrument provides: (1) a data digitizer operating at 1.0 GHz, (2) a POSIX-compliant computer interface and (3) a gridless reflector design. The National Institutes of Health advises in its memorandum dated October 21, 1996 that (1) these capabilities are pertinent to the applicant's intended purpose and (2) it knows of no domestic instrument or apparatus of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instrument for the applicant's intended use.

We know of no other instrument or apparatus of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instrument which is being manufactured in the United States. Frank W. Creel,

Director, Statutory Import Programs Staff. [FR Doc. 97–300 Filed 1–6–97; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3510–DS–P

## Applications for Duty-Free Entry of Scientific Instruments

Pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Educational, Scientific and Cultural Materials Importation Act of 1966 (Pub. L. 89–651; 80 Stat. 897; 15 CFR part 301), we invite comments on the question of whether instruments of equivalent scientific value, for the purposes for which the instruments shown below are intended to be used, are being manufactured in the United States.

Comments must comply with 15 CFR 301.5(a) (3) and (4) of the regulations and be filed within 20 days with the Statutory Import Programs Staff, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, D.C. 20230. Applications may be examined between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. in Room 4211, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C.

Docket Number: 96–072R. Applicant: Penn State University, 118 Research Building West, University Park, PA 16802. Instrument: Nano Indentor System, Model UMIS 2001. Manufacturer: CISRO, Australia. Intended Use: Original notice of this resubmitted application was published in the Federal Register of August 12, 1996.

Docket Number: 96–076R. Applicant: University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Purchasing Division, 506 South Wright Street, 207 Henry Administration Building, Urbana, IL 61801. Instrument: Eye Tracking System, Model EYELINK. Manufacturer: SR Research Ltd., Canada. Intended Use: Original notice of this resubmitted application was published in the Federal Register of August 12, 1996. Frank W. Creel,

Director, Statutory Import Programs Staff. [FR Doc. 97–299 Filed 1–6–97; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3510–DS–P

## Santa Rosa Outpatient Rehabilitation Hospital, et al.; Notice of Consolidated Decision on Applications for Duty-Free Entry of Scientific Instruments

This is a decision consolidated pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Materials Importation Act of 1966 (Pub. L. 89–651, 80 Stat. 897; 15 CFR part 301). Related records can be viewed between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. in Room 4211, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C.

*Comments:* None received. *Decision:* Approved. No instrument of equivalent scientific value to the foreign instruments described below, for such purposes as each is intended to be used, is being manufactured in the United States.

Docket Number: 95–080R. Applicant: Santa Rosa Outpatient Rehabilitation Hospital, San Antonio, TX 78229. Instrument: 3-Dimensional Motion Analyzer System, Model VICON 370. Manufacturer: Oxford Metrics, Ltd., United Kingdom. Intended use: See notice at 60 FR 48506, September 19, 1995. Reasons: The foreign instrument provides: (1) infra-red based light emitting diodes for marker recognition, (2) autoidentification of joint centers from exo-skeletal markers and body segment measurements and (3) exact synchronization of position and force data used in inverse dynamic analysis.

Docket Number: 96–098. Applicant: University of Arizona Foundation, Tucson, AZ 85721. Instrument: Noble Gas Mass Spectrometer, Model 215–50. Manufacturer: Mass Analyser Products Ltd., United Kingdom. Intended use: See notice at 61 FR 54156, October 17, 1996. Reasons: The foreign instrument provides: (1) a Baur type ion source with high sensitivity and linearity, (2) static-mode isotopic analysis of He, Ne, Ar, Kr and Xe and (3) vacuum pressure  $<10^{-9}$  torr with background specified as mass 36 and 132 M/e 36  $<5\times10^{-14}$  cm<sup>3</sup> STP and M/e 132  $<10^{-15}$  cm<sup>3</sup> STP.

*Docket Number*: 96–099. Applicant: University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC 29208. *Instrument:* Stopped-Flow Spectrophotometer, Model SX.18MV. *Manufacturer:* Applied Photophysics Ltd., United Kingdom. *Intended use:* See notice at 61 FR 54156, October 17, 1996. *Reasons:* The foreign instrument provides: (1) a dead volume of 310 μl, (2) a single 150W xenon light source and (3) fully automated mixing capability under computer control.

Docket Number: 96–107. Applicant: University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN 55455. Instrument: Three (3) Mass Spectrometers, MAT Models 262, ELEMENT and 252. Manufacturer: Finnigan MAT, Germany. Intended use: See notice at 61 FR 55973, October 30, 1996. Reasons: The foreign instruments comprise a suite of compatible mass spectrometers which employ: (1) magnetic sector mass analyzers, (2) either six Faraday multicollectors (models 252 and 262) or an analog/ion counting detector (model ELEMENT) and (3) automated preparation of samples resolvable to the femtogram level.

The capabilities of each of the foreign instruments described above are pertinent to each applicant's intended purposes. We know of no instrument or apparatus being manufactured in the United States which is of equivalent scientific value to any of the foreign instruments.

Frank W. Creel,

Director, Statutory Import Programs Staff. [FR Doc. 97–301 Filed 1–6–97; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3510–DS–P

### Applications for Duty-Free Entry of Scientific Instruments

Pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Educational, Scientific and Cultural Materials Importation Act of 1966 (Pub. L. 89–651; 80 Stat. 897; 15 CFR part 301), we invite comments on the question of whether instruments of equivalent scientific value, for the purposes for which the instruments shown below are intended to be used, are being manufactured in the United States.

Comments must comply with 15 CFR 301.5(a) (3) and (4) of the regulations and be filed within 20 days with the Statutory Import Programs Staff, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, D.C. 20230. Applications may be examined between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. in Room 4211, U.S. Department of

Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C.

Docket Number: 96–119. Applicant: University of Pennsylvania, 3231 Walnut Street, Philadelphia, PA 19104-6272. Instrument: Electron Microscope, Model JEM-2010F. Manufacturer: JEOL Ltd., Japan. Intended Use: The instrument will be used to study the structure and chemistry of structural metals and alloys, fuel cell materials, conducting polymers, catalytic materials, dielectrics, ferroelectrics and composites. In addition, the instrument will be used for educational purposes in the graduate course, MSE610, Electron Microscopy by providing training in electron microscopy techniques. Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: November 22, 1996.

Docket Number: 96–121. Applicant: State University of New York, P.O. Box 6000, Vestal Parkway East, Binghamton, NY 13902-6000. Instrument: Binocular Eye Tracking System, Model ET4. Manufacturer: AMTech, Germany Intended Use: The instrument will be used for studies of two related phenomena: the fluency and seeming effortlessness of skilled reading, and oculomotor control in the reading task, where readers' eyes need to "jump' along lines of text to obtain new information. In addition, the instrument will be used for training of doctoral and undergraduate students in courses referred to as "thesis credit" and "independent study". Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: November 22, 1996.

Docket Number: 96-122. Applicant: University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Chemistry Department, Lincoln, NE 68588-0304. Instrument: Diamond Anvil Cells, Model Diacell. Manufacturer: Diacell, United Kingdom. Intended Use: The instrument will be used to investigate the role of high pressure on solid state chemical reactions and phase transitions of solids. In particular, the research will involve study of high pressure on chemical reactions, phase transitions, the dynamics of the crystal lattice, electronic and magnetic properties, crystal structure, and solidification processes. Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: November 22. 1996.

Docket Number: 96–123. Applicant: William Marsh Rice University, 6100 Main Street, Houston, TX 77005. Instrument: Stopped-Flow Fluorescence Spectrophotometer, Model SX.18MV. Manufacturer: Applied Photophysics Ltd., United Kingdom. Intended Use: The instrument will be used for studies of the processes of protein-mediated DNA strand exchange that occur during

genetic recombination; specifically, homologous genetic recombination directed by the RecA protein of Escherichia coli. These investigations will involve the use of recombinant proteins and synthetic DNA oligomers containing fluorescent analogs of the four natural bases. During these investigations, the instrument will be used for monitoring the rate of changes in either fluorescence emission intensity or absorbance of the nonnatural DNA analogs as they interact with the RecA protein and take part in the events of recombination. Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: November 22, 1996.

Docket Number: 96–124. Applicant: Federal Highway Administration, Special Projects & Engineering Division, HNR-20, 6300 Georgetown Pike, McLean, VA 22101-2296. Instrument: ACFM Crack Microgauge, Model U9. Manufacturer: Technical Software Consultants, Ltd., United Kingdom. Intended Use: The instrument will be used to detect fatigue crack in welded steel girders. The speed, practicality, accuracy and reliability of the device for fatigue crack detection are compared with conventional techniques currently in use. Also, the equipment's ability to detect crack by its non-contact method is compared with contact methods available. Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: November 26, 1996.

Frank W. Creel,

Director, Statutory Import Programs Staff. [FR Doc. 97–298 Filed 1–6–97; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3510–DS–P

# National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

# The U.S. GOES Data Collection System (DCS) Application

**ACTION:** Proposed collection; comment request.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before March 10, 1997. ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Acting Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington DC 20230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Marlin O. Perkins, NOAA/NESDIS, Office of Satellite Data Processing and Distribution, Data Services Division, 5627 Allentown Road Suite 200, Code E/SP3, Camp Springs, MD 20233, telephone 301–763–8063 (Fax 301–763–8449).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

## I. Abstract

NOAA's Geostationary Operational Environmental Satellite (GOES) Data Collection System (DCS) collects and transmits environmental data from remote platforms. NOAA allows other users access to any excess capacity on the system if they meet certain criteria, primarily that they are sponsored by another government agency and that no other adequate common carrier is available. NOAA needs a minimal amount of information from applicants to determine if their request for access meets the requirements as stated in 15 CFR Part 911(a)-(c).

II. Method of Collection

Applicants prepare narrative applications. No forms are used.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0648–0157.

Form Number: None.

*Type of Review:* Regular Submission. *Affected Public:* Individuals,

businesses, not-for-profit institutions, Federal government, and State, local, or

tribal governments.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 9. Estimated Time Per Response: 3 hours.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 27 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$0.

### **IV. Request for Comments**

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques